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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FEBRUARY 14, 2005
REGULAR SESSION

Call to Order

The Board convened in regular session at 7:02 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room of Town Hall. All members were present.

Questions from Town Residents

There were none.

Action by Appointment

Discussion of the Creation of A Health Care Insurance Working Group

The Board of Selectmen discussed forming a health care insurance working group in the very near future. The Board emphasized the need to create a broad-gauged group to reflect the multiple facets of this issue. The Board discussed the eligibility and qualifications of various individuals in the community as potential group members.

Selectman Brownsberger will compose a draft email which will outline the scope and goals of this working group for the Acting Assistant Town Administrator's review.

Approval of Comcast License Renewal Contract

The Board postponed this discussion until its February 28 meeting when the final language of the Comcast Franchise Agreement is available.

Action by Writing

Request of All-Night Graduation Party for Financial Support (Police Detail)

The Board reviewed a request for Town detail support for the Graduation All-Night Party.

The Board moved: to approve the underwriting of three police officers for details in support of the Senior Graduation All-Night Party.

The motion was approved unanimously (3-0).

Other

The Board of Selectmen revised its Office Hours schedule as follows;

2/28: Paul Solomon

3/7: Angelo Firenze

3/14: Will Brownsberger

3/21: Angelo Firenze

3/28: Paul Solomon

Selectman Firenze requested that the Board of Selectmen adopt an official position with regards to the construction of a new senior center.

The Board moved: to unanimously affirm its commitment to encourage the expenditure of Town funds to a minimum of \$2.5 million for the construction of a new Senior Center at the Kendall site to be raised by whatever means necessary (including possibly a debt exclusion).

The motion was approved unanimously (3-0).

Selectman Firenze briefly updated the Board about a recent conversation he had with Steve Corridan from O'Neill.

Selectman Brownsberger announced Planning Board Chairman Joe Barrell's intention to step down from the Planning Board at the end of his term or as soon as a replacement is available.

The Board of Selectmen thanked Joe Barrell for his service and contribution to the Town.

The Board discussed possible replacements for Mr. Barrell.

Selectman Brownsberger noted a conversation he had earlier today with some Sherman Street residents who expressed their concern about traffic in the Winn Brook School area.

The Board suggested that the Acting Assistant Town Administrator address this letter with the appropriate Town department.

The Board of Selectmen discussed its position relative to the sale of the Waverley Station Fire building.

The Board moved: to express its sense that the restrictions discussed at the Special Town Meeting be considered substantially the only restrictions on the sale of the Waverley Fire Station building.

The motion was approved unanimously (3-0).

The Board of Selectmen briefly discussed the progress of the Wetlands Bylaw Subcommittee and Selectman Firenze will contact Michael Flamang for an update.

The Board moved: to sign the letter to the Watertown Town Council relative to the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Petition for Belmont Street/Trapelo Road.

The motion was approved unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: to appoint Cheryl Morrissey to the Human Rights Commission.

The motion was approved unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy related to litigation and potential criminal investigation; and further that the Board shall not return to open session.

The motion was approved unanimously (3-0).

The Board adjourned its open session at 8:30 pm.

Dr. Paul Solomon, Chairman
Board of Selectmen